Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 27 Apr 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 28 Apr 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 26 Apr 2024 at 15:59 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a cold and showery day on Saturday. Low for extent of any snow across the more eastern Cairngorms on Sunday. High for a change to a much warmer but often dull southeasterly airstream next week.

Headline for Saturday 27 Apr 2024: Cold and often cloudy with snow and hail showers

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 27 Apr 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Light snow	Hail	Heavy snow	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	20%	30%	40%	40%	30%	20%

Forecast for Saturday 27 Apr 2024

Weather: A bright start but cloud soon bubbling up from mid- morning with a few snow showers developing. The afternoon will be rather cloudy with snow and hail showers, although these becoming increasingly confined to Monadhliath, Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder by later afternoon. Drier and somewhat brighter weather developing east of the A9.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%, best chance first thing, and across the Cairngorms from mid afternoon

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with great air clarity outside of showers. Otherwise areas of cloud down to 800 to 1000 metres, the lowest bases becoming confined to ranges west of the A9 through the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	6/7 S	8/10 S	8/10 S	9/13 S	12/18 S	15/21 S	14/20 S	13/17 SE	12/15 SE
900	4/5 SW	7/8 S	7/10 S	8/11 S	10/15 S	14/20 S	11/17 S	11/15 SE	10/13 SE
600	3/4 SW	3/4 SE	4/6 S	7/11 SE	8/13 S	9/16 S	7/11 SE	6/9 SE	5/8 SE
300	2/4 S	2/6 SW	2/6 SW	6/10 SW	6/12 S	7/15 S	4/7 E	3/5 E	2/5 E
Glen	2/5 SW	3/8 SW	3/9 S	5/10 S	5/12 S	6/13 S	4/9 SE	3/7 S	3/6 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-8	-5/-10	-4/-9	-4/-8	-2/-8	-2/-8	-2/-8	-4/-10	-5/-11
900	-1/-3	-1/-5	-1/-5	-0/-4	1/-3	2/-3	2/-3	0/-4	-1/-6
600	1/-1	1/-1	1/-1	2/-1	4/0	4/1	4/1	2/-0	1/-1
300	2/0	1/-0	2/1	6/4	7/5	7/5	6/5	4/2	2/0
Glen	1/0	1/-1	2/0	6/5	8/6	8/6	7/6	4/2	2/0
Freezing Level*	700m	600m	600m	700m	700m	800m	800m	700m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note sub-zero temperatures at height

Forecast for Sunday 28 Apr 2024
Weather: Mainly dry with just an isolated wintry shower. Some sunny intervals but clouding over for a time in the afternoon with a chance of rain, sleet and snow more especially across the east of the area.

Maximum wind: Northerly 20 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility with good air clarity. Areas of cloud between 850 and 1000 metres, perhaps some cloud down to 700 metres across the northern and eastern Cairngorms from mid-afternoon onwards

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 rising to 7 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 900 metres

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